

104TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3629

To amend title 39, United States Code, to require that photographic evidence of a person's identity be presented before a change-of-address order shall be accepted by the United States Postal Service for processing.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 12, 1996

Mr. VENTO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Mail Fraud Prevention
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE OF IDENTITY RE-**
2 **QUIRED.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 4 of title 39, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
5 ing:

6 **“§ 414. Change-of-address orders**

7 “(a) Except as provided under subsection (b), a
8 change-of-address order sought to be submitted by or on
9 behalf of any person shall not be accepted by the Postal
10 Service unless appropriate photographic evidence of such
11 person’s identity is presented at the time of such order’s
12 submission.

13 “(b) Regulations to carry out this section shall take
14 effect not later than 6 months after the date of the enact-
15 ment of this section. The regulations—

16 “(1) shall include provisions under which—

17 “(A) the requirements of subsection (a)
18 may be waived in the case of persons who are
19 homebound; and

20 “(B) alternative measures shall be imple-
21 mented to carry out the purposes of this section
22 with respect to persons as to whom any waiver
23 under subparagraph (A) applies; and

24 “(2) may provide for such other exclusions or
25 modifications as the Postal Service considers appro-

1 priate, consistent with the purposes of this section
2 and considerations of practicability.”.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The analysis for
4 chapter 4 of title 39, United States Code, is amended by
5 adding at the end the following:

“414. Change-of-address orders.”.

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